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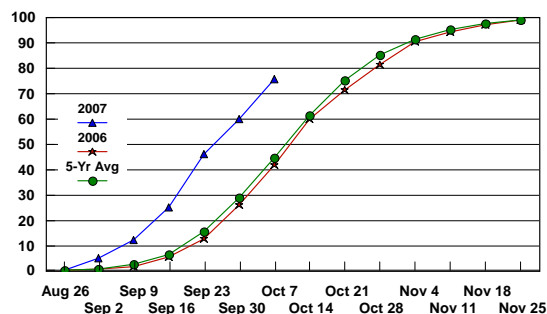
## Agricultural Summary

There were 6.5 days suitable for field work, as unseasonably high temperatures were received across the state this past week. Corn and soybean harvest are continuing at a rapid pace and fall tillage and fertilizer activities are picking up. Producers are looking for rain to aid in wheat emergence. The Illinois field office is preparing for the 2007 Census of Agriculture. In the coming weeks, producers should begin to see more advertisements and receive more information about the upcoming Census of Agriculture. Temperatures this past week averaged 13.0 degrees above normal, while average precipitation was .06 inches above normal. Topsoil moisture was rated 37 percent very short, 34 percent short, and 29 percent adequate. Corn was 76 percent harvested, compared to 42 percent in 2006 and the average of 45 percent. Soybeans were 68 percent harvested, compared to 42 percent last year and 49 percent for the five-year average. Sorghum was 79 percent harvested, well ahead of 38 percent last year and 40 percent for the five-year average.

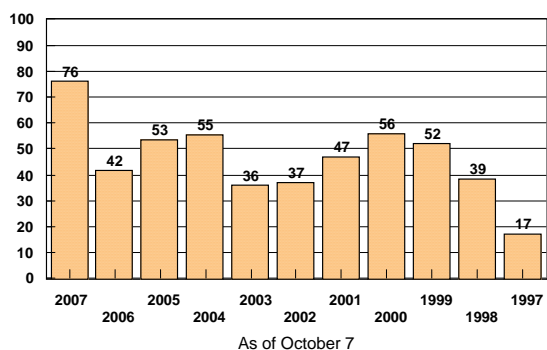
### Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2007	2006	5-Year Average
October 7			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Harvested	76	42	45
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Shedding Leaves	99	95	95
Harvested	68	42	49
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Mature	97	95	91
Harvested	79	38	40
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Seeded	41	30	28
Emerged	6	4	5

Corn - Percent Harvested  
Illinois



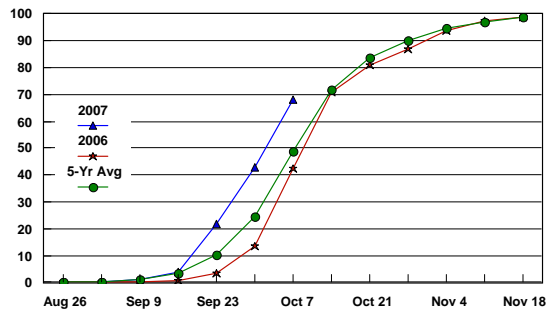
Corn - Percent Harvested  
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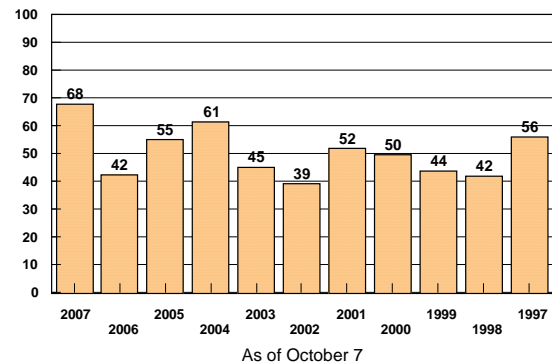
### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: Days Suitable	:	Topsoil Moisture		
	: for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	October 1 - 7		October 7		
Northwest	6.3	8	44	48	-
Northeast	6.5	6	50	44	-
West	6.4	54	35	11	-
Central	6.1	14	28	58	-
East	6.7	26	38	35	1
W Southwest	6.1	57	34	9	-
E Southeast	6.9	46	30	24	-
Southwest	7.0	97	3	-	-
Southeast	7.0	72	20	8	-
State	6.5	37	34	29	-

**Soybeans - Percent Harvested**  
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**Soybeans - Percent Harvested**  
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### Crop Conditions

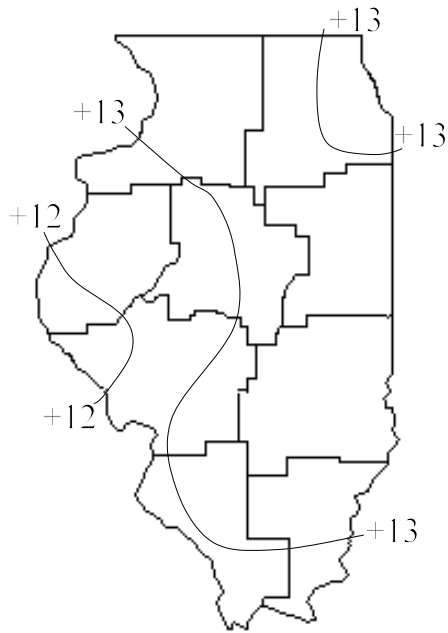
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 7					
Pasture	32	29	23	15	1

### Crop Progress by Districts

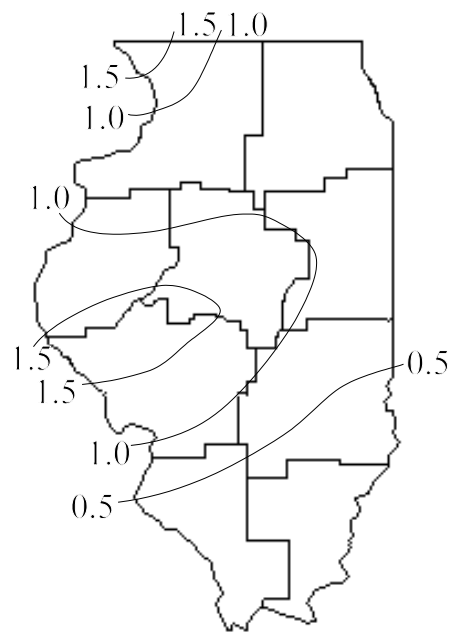
	: Corn	: Soybeans	: Soybeans
District	: Harvested	: Shedding Leaves	: Harvested
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		October 7	
Northwest	48	100	58
Northeast	57	99	55
West	77	99	62
Central	84	100	79
East	70	100	69
W Southwest	95	100	74
E Southeast	90	99	74
Southwest	99	96	68
Southeast	98	97	57
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State	76	99	68

# **Weather Information Table**

District	:	Temperature			:	Precipitation		
	:				:			
	:	Average	Normal	Departure	:	Total	Normal	Departure
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	:	October 1 - 7						
Northwest	:	68.9	55.6	13.4	:	0.85	0.70	0.14
Northeast	:	68.9	55.9	13.0	:	0.69	0.71	-0.03
West	:	70.5	58.3	12.2	:	1.21	0.89	0.32
Central	:	70.7	57.8	12.9	:	1.16	0.83	0.34
East	:	71.0	57.6	13.4	:	0.92	0.79	0.14
W Southwest	:	71.6	59.5	12.1	:	1.47	0.76	0.71
E Southeast	:	73.3	59.8	13.4	:	0.46	0.79	-0.32
Southwest	:	74.0	60.8	13.2	:	0.13	0.57	-0.44
Southeast	:	74.8	61.2	13.6	:	0.05	0.60	-0.55
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State	:	71.4	58.4	13.0	:	0.80	0.74	0.06
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Temperature (°F) Departure  
October 1 - 7



Precipitation (in.) Total  
October 1 - 7

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